<u>In the Claims</u>:

1.      (Cancelled)

2.      (Currently Amended)   The method of claim ~~5~~ 7 wherein the canvas object is displayed in a lower right hand portion of a graphical design window, the working folder tabs object is displayed adjoining the canvas object on the left, and the toolbar object is displayed above the canvas object.

3.      (Currently Amended)   The method of claim ~~5~~ 7 wherein the canvas object is displayed in lower left hand portion of a graphical design window, the working folder tabs object is displayed adjacent the canvas object on the right, and the toolbar object includes a first toolbar object is displayed above the canvas object and a second toolbar object is displayed between the canvas object and the working folder tabs object.

4.      (Currently Amended)   The method of claim ~~5~~ 7 wherein the canvas object is displayed across a center portion of a graphical design window and wherein the working folder tabs object is floating and displayed over the canvas object and wherein a toolbar object is floating and displayed over the canvas object.

5.      (Cancelled)

6.      (Currently Amended)   The method of claim ~~5~~ 7 wherein each of the modes is displayed responsive to user input.

7.      (Currently Amended)   <u>In a graphical user interface for a computer, a method of displaying objects for designing a service graph using a plurality of service independent building blocks, the method comprising:</u>
        <u>displaying a canvas object;</u>
        <u>displaying a toolbar object;</u>
        <u>displaying a menu object; and</u>

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displaying a working folder tabs object that displays in one mode service independent building blocks that may be placed onto the canvas to design a service graph, and wherein displaying the working folder tabs object further comprises:

displaying icons representing service graphs in a second mode The method of claim 5, wherein displaying icons representing service graphs in a the second mode further comprises displaying icons representing subroutine graphs;

displaying icons representing service data tables in a third mode; and

displaying icons representing message sets and messages in a fourth mode.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 5 7 wherein displaying the toolbar object comprises displaying a plurality of buttons on the toolbar object, each button controlling objects displayed in the graphical design window.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8 wherein displaying the toolbar object further comprises displaying text for each button along with a button icon.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 14 wherein the canvas object is displayed in a lower right hand portion of a graphical design window, the working folder tabs object is displayed adjoining the canvas object on the left, and the toolbar object is displayed above the canvas object.

12. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 14 wherein the canvas object is displayed in lower left hand portion of a graphical design window, the working folder tabs object is displayed adjacent the canvas object on the right, and toolbar object includes a first toolbar object displayed above the canvas object and a second toolbar object displayed between the canvas object and the working folder tabs object.

13. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 14 wherein the canvas object is displayed across a center portion of a graphical design window and wherein the working folder tabs object is floating and displayed over the

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canvas object and wherein the toolbar object is floating and displayed over the canvas object.

14. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium having stored thereon computer-readable data for displaying objects for designing a service graph using a plurality of service independent building blocks by performing the operations of:

displaying a canvas object;

displaying a toolbar object;

displaying a menu object; and

displaying a working folder tabs object that displays in one mode service independent building blocks that may be placed onto the canvas to design a service graph, and wherein displaying the working folder tabs object further comprises:

displaying icons representing service graphs in a second mode, and wherein displaying icons representing service graphs in the second mode further comprises displaying icons representing subroutine graphs;

displaying icons representing service data tables in a third mode; and

displaying icons representing message sets and messages in a fourth mode.

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 20 wherein the computer system further comprises input devices, output devices, and data storage devices coupled to the processor, and wherein the program controls the mode of the working folder tabs object to place the object in one of a service graph mode during which the display displays icons representing service graphs, a service data table mode during which the display displays icons representing service data tables, and a message mode during which the display displays icons representing message sets and messages.

17. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 20 wherein the display provides the canvas object in a lower right hand portion of a graphical design

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window, the working folder tabs object adjacent the canvas object on the left, and the toolbar object above the canvas object.

18.    (Previously Presented)  The computer system of claim 20 wherein the display provides the canvas object in a lower left hand portion of a graphical design window, the working folder tabs object adjacent the canvas object on the right, and a first toolbar object above the canvas object and a second toolbar object between the canvas object and the working folder tabs object.

19.    (Previously Presented)  The computer system of claim 20 wherein the display provides the canvas object across a center portion of a graphical design window and wherein the working folder tabs object is floating and displayed over the canvas object and wherein the toolbar object is floating and displayed over the canvas object.

20.    (Currently Amended)  A computer system, comprising:

a processor for executing a graphical interface program that operates to design service graphs for telecommunications services; and

a display coupled to the processor, the graphical interface program operable to control the display to provide a graphical user interface including a canvas object, a toolbar object, a menu object, and a working folder tabs object that displays in one mode service independent building blocks that may be placed onto the canvas to design a service graph and displays in a second mode icons representing subroutine graphs, and wherein the program operates to control a the mode of the working folder tabs object responsive to user input, wherein the mode determines what is displayed by the working folder tabs object.

21.    (Cancelled)

22.    (Previously Presented)  The method of claim 25 wherein the canvas object is displayed in a lower right hand portion of a graphical design window, the working folder tabs object is displayed adjoining the canvas object on the left, and the toolbar object is displayed above the canvas object.

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23.    (Previously Presented)    The method of claim 25 wherein the canvas object is displayed in lower left hand portion of a graphical design window, the working folder tabs object is displayed adjacent the canvas object on the right, and the toolbar object includes a first toolbar object is displayed above the canvas object and a second toolbar object is displayed between the canvas object and the working folder tabs object.

24.    (Previously Presented)    The method of claim 25 wherein the canvas object is displayed across a center portion of a graphical design window and wherein the working folder tabs object is floating and displayed over the canvas object and wherein a toolbar object is floating and displayed over the canvas object.

25.    (Currently Amended)    In a graphical user interface for a computer, a method of displaying objects for designing a service graph using a plurality of service independent building blocks, the method comprising:

displaying a canvas object;

displaying a toolbar object;

displaying a menu object; and

displaying a working folder tabs object that displays in one mode service independent building blocks and in another mode service subroutine icons representing subroutine graphs that may be placed onto the canvas to design a service graph, and wherein displaying the working folder tabs object further comprises:

displaying icons representing service graphs in a third mode;

displaying icons representing service data tables in a fourth mode; and

displaying icons representing message sets and messages in a fifth mode.